

## BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW

8110 GATEHOUSE ROAD SUITE 100 EAST FALLS CHURCH, VÁ 22042-1248 USA

OTHER OFFICES: CARLSBAD, CALIFORNIA COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

(703) 205-8000 FAX: (703) 205-8050 (703) 698-8590 (G IV)

e-mail: mailroom@bskb.com web: http://www.bskb.com



Date: November 17, 2003

Docket No.: 0397-0470P

## MS PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor(s): I

FUKUJU, Toshikatsu; NAGAI, Takaaki; KANEKO, Shuhei; TAKAOKA, Hidenari;

YOSHIDA, Noriyoshi and YOSHIDA, Takashi

For: SAMPLE ANALYZER AND ITS COMPONENTS

## Enclosed are:

- $oxed{oxed}$  A specification consisting of One hundred four (104) pages
- $oxed{\boxtimes}$  An assignment of the invention
- Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- ☐ Applicant does not claim priority

|             | Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Application No(s). 2002-334243; 2002-334251; 2002-334272; 2002-334286; 2002-334293 and 2003-193715 filed in JAPAN on November 18, 2002; November 18, 2002; November 18, 2002; November 18, 2002 and July 8, 2003.  Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.  Certified copy(ies) will follow. |  |  |  |  |  |
|-------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| $\boxtimes$ | Executed Declaration ( Original Photocopy)  |  |  |  |  |  |
|             | Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76  |  |  |  |  |  |
|             | Preliminary Amendment   |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\boxtimes$ | Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)   |  |  |  |  |  |
|             | Other:  |  |  |  |  |  |
|             | Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee   |  |  |  |  |  |
|             | Non-publication Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i)   |  |  |  |  |  |

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

|                                      |                 |                 | LARGE ENTITY    | SMALL ENTITY  |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|
| BASIC F                              |                 | FEE             | \$770.00        | \$385.00      |
|                                      | NUMBER<br>FILED | NUMBER<br>EXTRA | RATE FEE        | RATE FEE      |
| TOTAL                                | 75- 20 =        | 55              | X 18 = \$990.00 | x 9 = \$0.00  |
| INDEPENDENT<br>CLAIMS                | 11- 3 =         | 8               | x 86 = \$688.00 | x 43 = \$0.00 |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT  CLAIMS PRESENTED |                 |                 | + \$290.00      | + \$145.00    |
|                                      |                 | TOTAL           | \$2,448.00      | \$0.00        |

 $\boxtimes$  A check in the amount of \$2,528.00 to cover the filing fee and recording fee (if applicable) is enclosed.

- Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this transmittal form is enclosed.
- □ Please send correspondence to:

BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP or Customer No. 02292 P.O. Box 747 Falls Church, VA 22040-0747 (703) 205-8000

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP

Terrell C. Birdh, #19,382

P.O. Box 747

Falls Church, VA 22040-0747

(703) 205-8000

TCB/smt 0397-0470P

Attachment(s)

(Rev. 10/27/03)